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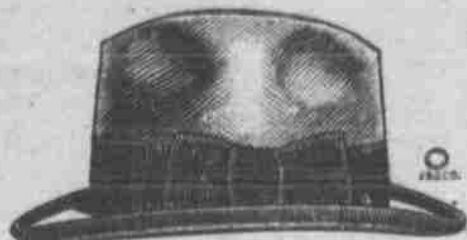
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Correct Fitting is Given Special Attention

The Golden Stripe Hose

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ASSESSOR HAS MADE ROUNDS

Office Will Be Open From March 25 to April 25 to Receive Assessments—Then the Rolls will be Closed and the Penalty Will Attach.

Saturday of this week County Assessor Yeats and Deputy Gleason will have completed their rounds of the county as required by law. For thirty days, from Saturday, March 25th, until April 25th, the assessor and his deputy will be stationed at the county assessor's office in the court house, where all persons from all parts of the county who have not rendered their property for taxes may call and render their stuff. On the 25th of April the rolls will close, after which time the assessor will arbitrarily assess all property, and a penalty of one dollar for each assessment so made will be added to the taxes against the property and collected by the treasurer at tax collection time. A great many people have failed to appear at the various boxes while the assessor was there.

HULTSMAN ANNOUNCES HIS CANDIDACY FOR RE-ELECTION

In the announcement column of this paper this week will be found the card of Ben Hultsman, of Albany, who is a candidate for County Commissioner, to succeed himself, in district No. 2.

Ben was elected to this position of responsibility and trust in 1914, and having no other occupation to occupy his attention, has devoted his whole time, energy and ability to being County Commissioner, and the result has been the rendering of a service to the county which it were not possible to get at the hands of many people, fettered with other responsibilities.

Ben is asking the voters of his district to re-elect him. He asks this upon his claim that he has made good in every way, and that one good term deserves another. His friends believe about the way he does, and those in a position to know about it say that the records show it too.

Ben has shown himself to be attentive to business, and economical in the dispensing of the public moneys; exacting in the performance of his official tasks, and equally as exacting in expecting the same sort of service from other public servants and employees; an ardent enthusiast for good and better roads, which anyone in his district will vouch for; and in most every other way just the sort of a county commissioner that his district and the county at large needs and wants.

Ben says that he will make his campaign upon his record during his first term. The writer knows more of that record than does the average voter who has taken only a passing interest. We can therefore gladly commend his claims and candidacy to the voters for their thoughtful consideration.

NEW CIVIL CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURT

The following new civil cases have been filed in the District Court during the past week:

J. E. Whitehead vs. Joe M. Burks et al; suit for foreclosure of mortgage.

George H. Denton vs. Aug. Krueger, Mary A. Krueger and the American Insurance Co.; suit for debt and foreclosure of mortgage.

American Investment Co. vs. Wilson J. Beal and Vera Madge Beal; suit for debt and foreclosure of mortgage.

Alapharlie Thompson vs. Nelson Thompson; divorce.

J. L. Smith vs. A. E. Boydston; debt and replevin.

J. H. Holland vs. Lucinda Petty et al; debt and foreclosure.

Hatchett & Ferguson represent the plaintiffs in all but the first case.

Waists of every kind and description. See them. W. L. Townsend & Co.

HAS BROTHER CHASING VILLA

Hugh Cox, of this city, is more than ordinarily interested in the affairs of the Mexican situation these days for the reason that his brother, First Lieutenant Ed Cox, of the Eleventh Cavalry, is with his command in pursuit of the Mexican bandit, Villa. His was one of the first regiments ordered to the scene. Mr. Cox has heard nothing from his brother since the expedition started.

New lot Ladies' Taffeta, Silk, Poplin and Crepe de Chine Dresses. Priced right. W. L. Townsend & Co.

WANT COLUMN

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred White Rock cockerels; also eggs \$1.00 per 15. A. G. Marvel, member Bryan County Poultry Assn. w2s2

COLOR AGENT WANTED—Big stock and accident insurance. Box D-409; Cincinnati, Ohio. wlp

HEAVY VOTE WAS POLLED THURSDAY

Democrats Nominate Strong Business Men for Members of the City Council.—Interest Centered in the Third and Fourth Wards.

An unusually heavy vote was polled in the primary election which was held Tuesday to elect candidates of the respective political parties for the City Council. In April, on the first Monday, the general election will be held, at which time the candidates will be voted upon.

Only one Republican filed from each ward, consequently there was very little interest shown from that quarter. In the first and second wards only one Democrat filed, and little interest was displayed there.

In wards three and four there was competition for the Democratic nomination, and many vehicles employed in the interest of the several applicants for the nominations gathered up the voters and carried them to the polls.

The nominees chosen were as follows:

Democrats—Ward One, W. A. Kiehlley; Ward Two, Jas. R. McKinney; Ward Three, E. C. Terrell; Ward Four, Horace Marshall; Republicans—Ward One, H. C. Frye; Ward Two, A. L. Severance; Ward Three, George Walker; Ward Four, S. J. Watson.

The official returns from each of the wards for all candidates was as follows:

FIRST WARD
W. A. Kiehlley, Dem. 25
H. C. Frye, Rep. 47
SECOND WARD
James R. McKinney, Dem. 86
A. L. Severance, Rep. 13
THIRD WARD
E. C. Terrell, Dem. 128
M. B. Boyett, Dem. 15
G. A. Walker, Rep. 18
FOURTH WARD
Horace Marshall, Dem. 107
Wade Daugherty, Dem. 39
R. P. Bowles, Dem. 15
S. J. Watson, Rep. 14
W. S. Wagner, Socialist 2

REPUBLICANS HELD THEIR CONVENTIONS

The Republican County Convention and the County Congressional Convention were held in Durant last Saturday, and, in contrast with the majority of such conventions over the State, were perfectly harmonious. In some of the larger cities of the State and in many of the smaller communities, the conventions were considerably at variance in their expression of choice for National Committeeman, the fight being between the adherents of Harris and McGraw. In Durant, however, the exponents of McGraw were not in evidence and the conventions went on record in favor of Mr. Harris.

The County Convention selected U. S. Markham of Caddo as County Chairman, and James W. Lewis of Bokchito as a member of the State Committee. Eighteen delegates to the State Convention to meet in Oklahoma City were also chosen. The delegates so selected will cast nine votes at the State meeting. As soon as the County Convention had finished with its work, the Congressional Convention was convened, and O. R. Fowler was elected member of the Congressional Committee. Thirty-six delegates, who will cast eighteen votes, were then elected to the Third Congressional District Convention, which will meet in this city on the 12th of April. Walter Vesch was endorsed as delegate to the National Convention. There was no ill feeling of any sort manifest in either of the gatherings, and the Republicans of this section are feeling very good over their harmony.

The following were elected as delegates to the convention which met at Oklahoma City last Wednesday:

C. E. Hale, Kemp, T. J. Sexton, Durant; H. C. Frye, Durant; J. A. Parkey, Achille; H. J. Robinson, Durant; Robert Crockett, Durant; J. L. Day, Plattler; J. R. Duncan, Durant; E. O. Butler, Durant; Sam Crouch, Durant; Albert Bonneau, Durant; E. Holcomb, Durant; C. H. Elting, Durant; V. M. Kelly, Durant; J. S. Liles, Durant; C. W. Early, Durant; J. W. Lewis, Durant; J. T. Ryan, Bennington.

OKLAHOMA MILITIA MAY SEE ACTIVE SERVICE

It is taken for granted that the recent inspection of the Durant company of the Oklahoma National Guard was for the sole purpose of ascertaining what degree of efficiency as soldiers existed in the local organization, and with a view to ascertaining how much they could be counted upon for active service in the event of a call from the Federal Government. It is estimated by the ones considered efficient to judge that a month's rigorous training in camp would put the locals on a first class "war footing." The possibility is not remote that the company, along with the others of the State, will be called upon within the next week or ten days for service on the Mexican border, in the event that the Government troops now patrolling that section are called upon to go over into Mexico. The company has been readily recruited up to its quota, and most of the members are anxious for orders to "go to the front."

AN OLD-TIME NURSE CURED

Of Catarrh of the Stomach by Peruna
MRS. SELENA TANNER,
Athens, Ohio.

This Cure Dates From October 3, 1899.

Oct. 3, 1899 —"Catarrh of the stomach. Was nearly starved. After taking Peruna I have a good appetite."
Sept. 11, 1904 —"I can assure you that I am still a friend of Peruna. My health is still good."
April 23, 1906 —"Yes, I am still a friend of Peruna. Will be as long as I live. I keep it in the house all the time."
Dec. 18, 1907 —"I recommend Peruna so often that they call me the Peruna doctor. Peruna recommends itself when once tried."
Dec. 27, 1908 —"I still tell everybody I can that Peruna is the best medicine in the world."
Aug. 15, 1909 —"Peruna saved my life years ago. I still take it when I have a cold."
Jan. 4, 1910 —"I was threatened with pneumonia. Peruna saved me."
May 17, 1912 —"I am glad to do anything I can for Peruna."
May 6, 1914 —"I have always been a nurse. Peruna has helped me in my work more than all other medicines."
Mar. 22, 1915 —"I have divided my bottle of Peruna with people many times. It always helps."

The above quotations give a vague glimpse of the correspondence we have had with Mrs. Tanner since 1899. Our files, which cover twenty-five years, include many similar correspondents.

MCGRAW ELECTED IN STORMY CONVENTION

Oklahoma Republicans Supporting James A. Harris Do Not Offer His Name—Say that the Election Will be Contested Vigorously.

The Republicans met in State convention at Oklahoma City Wednesday and elected James J. McGraw of Ponca City national committeeman. The name of James A. Harris of Muskogee was not presented to the convention. Harris leaders objected to the manner of organizing and will appeal to the national convention.

The convention was very stormy, and the service of a corps of policemen was necessary at one time to preserve order.

Arthur H. Geissler was again chosen chairman of the State committee. Delegates at large to the national convention were chosen as follows: T. B. Ferguson, Watonga; B. S. McGuire, Tulsa; John Fields and A. H. Geissler, Oklahoma City. Alternates are: R. W. Killough, Tulsa; Bruce L. Keenan, Tahlequah; W. A. Stewart, Okmulgee; Vernon Whiting, Pawlhuska. Electors at large were nominated as follows: James R. Echols, Waurika; J. C. Denton, Muskogee.

After an all-night session, the State central committee reported a temporary roll for the convention in which the Muskogee contested delegation for Harris was seated and the contested Stephens county delegation were given half a vote each. On a test vote, taken for secretary of the convention, it developed that McGraw had a majority of fourteen.

It had been the program up to a short time before the convention to make a test of the strength between Harris and McGraw on the election of a temporary chairman, with John Fields the McGraw candidate, and F. E. Gillette of El Reno the Harris candidate. Earlier in the day former Governor T. B. Ferguson of Watonga had declined to permit his name to be used as the Harris candidate on account of differences that grew out of the Stephens county contest. Fields won the nomination, and it was made unanimous.

Jesse Leach of Bartlesville, a McGraw adherent, was elected secretary over Dyke Ballinger by a majority of fourteen.

Upon report of the committee on organization that the temporary organization be made permanent, Judge Gillette was nominated for chairman. The vote was 459 for Gillette and 490 for Fields.

A row occurred at this time for the reason that some McGraw men were occupying a more advantageous position nearer the rostrum than the Harris men. A free fight then ensued which was quelled amid a

scene of violent disorder. Fields, against his protest, was put up in opposition to McGraw for national committeeman, and at that he received 312 votes to 639 for the chosen man.

The attitude of the Harris men in refusing to permit his name to go before the convention is taken to indicate that there may be a bitter contest before the national convention in behalf of the Muskogee man.

SATURDAY'S BIG CROWD

It wasn't circus day in Durant last Saturday, but from the number of people in the city, one might have thought that there was some extraordinary occasion. The local merchants enjoyed one of the best days from a business standpoint that has come to them for some months, and express themselves as gratified with returns and with the bright prospects for the summer.

Baseball Goods

Baseball season is upon us—preparedness works as well in the national game as elsewhere. We have complete lines of gloves, mits, masks, bats, balls, shin-guards, breast-pads, and so forth, of the famous Spaulding make. Let us fit you out—now—get prepared for the baseball season.

REILLY BOOK STORE

Third Ave. Durant, Okla.

HAS PNEUMONIA

Little Jack, the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Matthews, is quite ill with pneumonia, contracted several days ago. The little fellow has had a hard time of it, but is now said to be considerably improved.

New shipment of Satins, Silks, Poplins and Crepe de Chine. See them. W. L. Townsend & Co.

Let Us Sell You

A two horse one row

Cotton and Corn Planter

With Middle Breaker

WE HAVE THEM—

\$17.50 to \$37.50

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SPEARS ANNOUNCES FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Had Decided to Retire From Public Service, But His Friends Made It So Strong That He Has Consented to Make the Race Again.

To the Voters of Commissioner's District No. One:

In presenting myself as a candidate for the office of Commissioner for District No. 1 for another term, I want to say it was not my intention up to ten days ago to make the race again. I have told everyone asking me that I would not be a candidate. However, I have been fit within the last ten days to change my mind and I am now asking for your support.

In asking for your support, I want to say that I have been your Commissioner for one year and three months, and I have done my very best to make you a good Commissioner. If, in your judgment, I have been faithful to you, I will appreciate your support for a second term.

I feel that I am just now learning to give the people the best value for their money. I am willing to stand upon the record I have made up to the present time. I fully realize that I have a hard place to fill to the satisfaction of all the people, yet I believe my record will show that I have always been on the side of the people in every instance, trying as best I could to assist any worthy cause affecting the taxpayers in my district.

I shall make this campaign upon my own merits and not upon the shortcomings of any man who might become a candidate against me.

Again assuring you that your support is honestly and earnestly solicited, I am,

Yours very respectfully,

ED. L. SPEARS.

As a matter of fact, this writer is aware that Ed Spears made up his mind to be a candidate to succeed himself after about two hundred representative people of his district had presented him petitions requesting that he become a candidate.

One of Ed's crowning virtues is modesty, and his closest friends must need inquire to find out just what his accomplishments have been. When a man will devote his entire time to the job of being County Commissioner, putting in day after day of real work that he receives no compensation for, and not talk about it, he must be modest.

As a good roads enthusiast, Ed is unsurpassed in Oklahoma. His work on the roads in his district will stand as a monument to his service long after his tenure of office has expired. More than that, the records

show that he has done more in road work with less money than has ever before been done in his district.

Another point: Last winter, when the community was sorely pressed to care for the destitute families both in and out of the city, Ed let everything else go, and investigated and attended personally to every worthy case, saving the public many hundreds of dollars beyond a doubt.

As he says in his formal statement to the voters, he is just now beginning to know the ropes and how to be of real service, and that in another term he will be able to give to the county an administration administration as County Commissioner.

WENT TO CHURCH SERVICES NEAR CADDO

Last Sunday seven automobiles carrying about all they could accommodate, went to the Robinson school house, four miles southwest of Caddo, where Rev. J. T. Ogle, pastor of the Christian Church, Durant, delivered a forceful sermon. Miss Vivian Luck, was also a member of the party, and delighted the congregation with a sweet solo. Miss Ruth Abbott, another Durant young lady, who is teaching the school at that place, had recently been elected superintendent of the Sunday School, and it was at her invitation and solicitation that Rev. Ogle and the large number from this place went to help out in making a good start for the school under the new superintendent. All present had a good time and all were pleased with the sermon and exercises. These pilgrimages into the rural communities are expected to be more frequent in the future. Much good is accomplished by them, and the visitors are made to feel welcome, especially in the districts where preaching services and good music are few and far between.

WILL TRADE FOR AUTOMOBILE

Attorney Paden, formerly of this city, but now a resident of Broken Bow, McCurtain County, was in the city this week on business, and left Monday evening for Springfield, Missouri, near which city he has a small farm which he is considering trading for a fine auto. In order that he may not get the worst of the deal he decided that it would be a wise idea to take someone along with him to look at the auto before making the deal. To this end he prevailed upon Ely Carpenter, of this city, to accompany him. Mr. Carpenter will examine the prospective acquisition carefully from the standpoint of an expert mechanic, and if the machine is as represented Mr. Paden will load it on the cars and bring it home. The machine is said to be a very nice one.